

## Overview of Proposed Incentive Zone Programs

The proposed text amendment would establish the following three incentive zones. The types of businesses that would be eligible to apply for incentives in each zone are described below, followed by a table outlining the incentives to be offered, required capital investment and jobs, and the process for the review and approval of applications.

- **Technology Zone:** New or existing business whose primary purpose is the design, research, development, utilization or production of technology services, software or products. *See draft text amendment for full definition.*
- **Defense Production Zone:** New or existing business engaged in the design, development, or production of materials, components, or equipment for national defense, and those that perform functions ancillary to or in support of these; or a business primarily engaged in providing services in support of national defense, including logistics and technical support. *See draft text amendment for full definition.*
- **Tourism Zone:** New or existing business whose primary purpose is to establish a desirable destination to attract tourists from outside and within the community that will increase travel-related revenue and create an environment for those visitors a memorable experience or promote educational opportunities. *See draft text amendment for full definition.*

Program Component	Description	
<b>Incentives*</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Permit Fee Rebates or Waivers</li> <li>▪ 100% Rebate for 3 years on the following taxes (<i>for expanding businesses, the portion attributable to new investment</i>):               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ BPOL Tax</li> <li>○ Business Personal Property Tax</li> </ul> </li> <li>▪ Accelerated Permit Review/Target Industry Status**</li> </ul>	
<b>New Capital Investment Required*</b>	<b>Technology Zone &amp; Defense Production Zone</b> New Business: \$500,000 Expanding Business: \$250,000 <i>New capital investment must be in land, building and/or machinery</i>	<b>Tourism Zone</b> New Business: \$250,000 Expanding Business: \$100,000
<b>New Jobs Investment Required*</b>	<b>Technology Zone &amp; Defense Production Zone</b> New Business: 10 FT Jobs Expanding Business: 3 FT Jobs <i>Salaries must be 10% above the average local wage</i>	<b>Tourism Zone</b> New Business: 5 FT Jobs Expanding Business: 2 FT Jobs <i>No salary level requirement</i>
<b>Review &amp; Approval Process</b>	1. Economic Development Director & Commissioner of the Revenue 2. Town Attorney & Town Manager 3. Town Council	

\* Unless otherwise authorized by a resolution of the Town Council

\*\* Staff recommends that in the future the Town establish a formal accelerated review process for target industries.